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Applicant: Carr, *et al.* Examiner: Landsman, R.S.
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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on June 6, 2002 for the above-identified application. Applicant requests a one (1) month extension of time, from September 6, 2002 to and including October 6, 2002, to reply to the Office Action. With the extension, the deadline for response to the Office Action is October 6, 2002, which falls on a Sunday. Thus Applicant respectfully submits that the filing of this response on the next business day, Monday October 7, 2002, is timely. Responsive to that Office Action, Applicant respectfully requests entrance of the following Amendment and consideration of the following Remarks.

Amendment

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 24-27, 34-44, 60, 65-68, 75-85 and 101, and amend claims 1, 28, 31-33, 45-46, 49, 53, 56-57, 61, 64, 69-74, 86-100 and 102 as detailed below and in the attached Version to Show Changes Made (Appendix A). For the convenience of the Examiner, all the claims, in the form they will take place after entry of the present amendment, are presented in attached Appendix B.